



**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION REPORT**

Date: February 17, 1998
Subj: Custom Blending Inc. Indiana
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Polrep No.: Polrep #3
Reporting Period: January 26 - February 6, 1998
FPN #: 088066
EPA#: 98 HR 05F P8X (Reimbursable)
98 H 05F G7X Z576 (Recoverable)
Response Authority: OPA
Start Date: January 8, 1998
Completion Date: NA

I. Background:

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) requested OPA Funds for an emergency cleanup at the Custom Blending Inc. oil site on January 7, 1998. A PRFA has been authorized through correspondence sent January 8, 1998 to USCG, Cmdr. Tom Tansey. The attached POLREP has been provided by IDEM to USEPA and USCG.

II. Updates:

IDEM's plans for scrapping of cleaned storage tanks will be done at no cost to the OSLTF. Cmdr. Tansey does not have a problem with this. Subsurface contamination will be investigated further until there is actual evidence of an intermittent discharge occurring. OSC Ho received a scope of work on February 17 from IDEM requesting additional funds to further investigate and possibly remove the subsurface contaminated soil.

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**I. HEADING****Date:** February 9, 1998**From:** Patrick Colcord, Project Engineer, Immediate Removal Section, Environmental Response, IDEM**To:**

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Subject: Custom Blended Oils, OPA Removal Action, Greenfield, Indiana**POLREP:** POLREP No. 3**II. BACKGROUND**

Site Number/FPN	7100088/088066
Site ID No:	
Delivery Order Number	
Response Authority	OPA
CERCLIS ID#	NA
NPL Status	Non-NPL
State Notification:	
Status:	
Start Date:	January 8, 1998
Demobilization Date:	NA
Completion Date	NA

III. RESPONSE INFORMATION**A. Situation****1. Removal Actions to Date**

During the period January 26 to February 6, 1998, IDEM contractors continued the

process of pumping the tanks on the site and hauling the contents to Ecological Systems, Inc. for recycling and disposal. Nearly 80,000 gallons of waste oils were moved during this period. Each tank was pressure washed and IDEM is looking into scrapping the tanks. The frac tank was removed on January 28. An inventory of the materials inside the storage building was taken.

IDEM has requested proposals from the present consultant and two additional consultants to conduct subsurface investigation of the property. Heavy soil staining and test digging indicate a great deal of subsurface contamination.

Nearly 20,000 gallons of waste oil have been found inside the storage building. IDEM was not sure if this material was a product and had market value. IDEM did not want to dispose of the material if it was part of the bankruptcy assets. IDEM determined that the materials has been abandoned and continues to pose a threat to the environment and to public. This material will be disposed but must be characterized and the additional funds must be requested.

A modified scope of work will be sent to Region V on February 13, 1998.

IV. Cost information (As of 2/8/98)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Cost to Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Environmental Remediation Services	\$50,000	\$ 44,0113.41	\$ 5,986.59